

# KEEP SAFE MIAMI

**KEEP SAFE MIAMI is a new program developed by Enterprise Community Partners and the City of Miami which will equip affordable housing owners and operators with tools to assess their buildings' resilience to climate change and natural disasters, and provide them with actionable strategies and guidance on financing to address these vulnerabilities.**

## What's at Stake

South Florida is home to approximately 43,000 multifamily affordable housing units, many located in the Miami area. The impacts of climate change and extreme-weather conditions are increasing, and a number of these units are aging, without consideration of climate related risks. In addition, the Miami-Fort Lauderdale-West Palm Beach, Fla. metro area added approximately 181,000 new residents to the 100-year floodplain over the period ending in 2016, the most of any region nationally.

For owners of multiple properties of affordable housing (portfolio owners), even one damaged building can undermine the financial health and integrity of a portfolio. Any resulting property loss or extensive repairs can significantly impact the ability of residents to have a safe and healthy home, and lead to displacement of families and economic distress across entire communities.



## Protecting Properties

**KEEP SAFE MIAMI** will first help affordable housing owners prioritize the most at-risk buildings, then provide actionable strategies and financing recommendations to ensure their properties and residents can be protected. The tools will be provided free-of-charge and will be accompanied by a series of trainings.



In Southeast Florida, every \$1 spent on hazard mitigation can save \$9 in future disaster recovery and rebuilding costs.

Source: Urban Land Institute, 2020

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## For Developers

- **Portfolio Protect** - This first phase of the tool will help developers identify at a high level the most and least resilient properties in their portfolio.
- **Building Protect** - Once the most vulnerable properties in the portfolio have been determined, the Building Protect tool will enable owners to evaluate specific needs of their properties and identify resilience strategies at the building level through site assessments.
- **Funding Resources Guide** - This guide will inform affordable housing owners and portfolio managers about available resources as they work to secure capital to implement the recommendations determined in the first two phases of Keep Safe Miami.

## For Residents

- **Training** – Residents in affordable housing communities will receive direct training for disaster preparedness, as well as actions they can take to increase their energy efficiency and save on costs. The training will be provided by Communities United, Dream in Green, and the City of Miami CERT Team.

**KEEP SAFE MIAMI** is now available! To enroll in the program or find out if you are eligible to become a pilot site, please sign up at:  
**[MiamiKeepSafe.EnterpriseCommunity.org](https://MiamiKeepSafe.EnterpriseCommunity.org)**

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